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1. REPLYING TO A FURTHER LETTER FROM OPPOSITION LEADER WILSON ABOUT HIS REMARKS LAST WEEK ON ULSTER "INTEGRATION," PM HEATH HAS CLEARLY SOUGHT TO DISTANCE HIMSELF FROM ANY IMPLICATION THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD IN ANY SITUATION FAVOR INTEGRATION AS A SOLUTION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND. IN A SEPTEMBER 21 LETTER HEATH SAID THAT BOTH HIS RECENT VISITS TO BELFAST AND TO DUBLIN AND ALL THE INTERVIEWS AND PRESS CONFERENCES HE GAVE THERE WERE DEVOTED TO ADVOCATING THAT ALL THOSE CONCERNED SHOULD PRESS ON WITH BRINGING INTO OPERATION INSTITUTIONS PROVIDED FOR IN NI CONSTITUTION ACT AND BRINGING INTO BEING A COUNCIL OF IRELAND. HEATH ADDED THAT HE HOPED WILSON COULD SOON BE ABLE PUBLICLY TO REAFFIRM HIS OWN SUPPORT FOR THOSE MEASURES.
 2. IN A SEPTEMBER 24 TELEVISION INTERVIEW, WILSON DID PUBLICLY REAFFIRM LABOR SUPPORT FOR GOVERNMENT NI POLICY AND IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT FUROR CAUSED BY HEATH'S EARLIER
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